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Continuation of the Remarks on the Tragedy of the Unnatural Combat.

Malefort's Inattention to this Humour of *Belgarde*'s, and his Starts of Agony on miſſing his Daughter, are fine Inſinuations of his growing Paſſion for her.

Beaufort, ſen. Montrevile, Malefort.

Beau. YOU are dull, Sir,
And ſeem not to be taken with the Paſſage
You ſaw preſented.
Mal. Paſſage? I obſerv'd none,
My Thoughts were elſewhere buſied. Ha! ſhe is
In Danger to be loſt, to be loſt for ever,
If ſpeedily I come not to her Reſcue,
For ſo my Genius tells me.
Montr. What Chimera's
Work on your Phantaſy?
Mal. Phantaſies? They are Truths.
Where is my *Theocrine*? You have plotted
To rob me of my Daughter: Bring me to her,
Or I'll call down the Saints to witneſs for me:
You are inhoſpitable.
Beauf. ſen. You amaze me,
Your Daughter's ſafe, and now exchanging Courtſhip
With my Son her Servant, why do you hear this
With ſuch diſtracted Looks? Since to that End
You brought her hither.
Mal. 'Tis confeſs'd I did,
But now pray you pardon me, and if you pleaſe
E'er ſhe deliver up her Virgin Fort,
I would obſerve what is the Art he uſes
In planting his Artillery againſt it,
She is my only Care, nor muſt ſhe yield
But upon noble Terms.
Beauf. ſen. 'Tis ſo determin'd.
Mal. Yet I am jealous.
Montr. Over-much I fear.
What Paſſions are theſe?
Beauf. ſen. Come I will bring you
Where you, with theſe if they ſo pleaſe, may ſee
The Love-ſcene acted.
Montr. There is ſomething more
Than fatherly Love in this.

The Courtſhip which follows this, between *Beaufort, jun.* and *Theocrine* is wonderfully refin'd and delicate, and *Malefort*'s Agitations therein, the moſt natural Reſentments of a paſſionate and jealous Lover.

Beaufort, jun. Theocrine.

Beau. jun. Since then you meet my Flames with equal Order
As you profeſs, it is your Bounty Miſtreſs,
Nor muſt I call it Debt, yet 'tis your Glory,
That your Exceſs ſupplies my Want, and makes me
Strong in my Weakneſs, which could never be,
But in your good Opinion.
Theo. You teach me, Sir,
What I ſhould ſay, ſince from your Sun of Favour,
I like dim *Phœbe*, in herſelf obſcure,
Borrow that Light I have.
Beauf. jun. Which you return
With large Increaſe (ſince that you will o'ercome,
And I dare not contend) were you but pleas'd
To make what's yet divided one.
Theo. I have
Already in my Wiſhes, Modeſty
Forbids me to ſpeak more.
Beauf. jun. But what Aſſurance,
(But ſtill without Offence) may I demand
That may ſecure me that your Heart and Tongue
Join to make up this Harmony?
Theo. Chuſe any
Suiting your Love diſtinguiſhed from Luſt,
To aſk and mine to grant.
Enter (as unſeen) Beaufort, ſen. Malefort, Montrevile, and the reſt.
Beauf. ſen. Yonder they are.
Mal. At Diſtance too, 'tis yet well.
Beauf. jun. I may take then
This Hand, and with a thouſand burning Kiſſes,
Swear 'tis the Anchor to my Hopes.
Theo. You may, Sir.
Mal. This is ſomewhat too much.
Beauf. jun. And this done, view myſelf
In theſe true Mirrors.
Theo. Ever true to you, Sir.
And may they looſe th' Ability of Sight,
When they ſeek other Object.
Mal. This is more
Than I can give Conſent to.
Beauf. jun. And a Kiſs,
Thus printed on your Lips will not diſtaſte you.
Mal. Her Lips!
Montr. Why where ſhould he kiſs? Are you diſtracted?
Beauf. jun. Then when this holy Man hath made it lawful. [*Brings in a Prieſt.*
Mal. A Prieſt ſo ready too! I muſt break in.
Beauf. jun. And what's ſpoke here is regiſtred above,
I muſt ingroſs thoſe Favours to myſelf
Which are not to be nam'd.
Theo. All I can give,
But what they are I know not.
Beauf. jun. I'll inſtruct you.
Mal. O how my Blood boils!
Montr. Pray you contain yourſelf,
Methinks his Courtſhip's modeſt.
Beauf. jun. Then being mine,
And wholly mine, the River of your Love
To Kinſmen and Allies, nay to your Father,
(Howe'er out of his Tenderneſs he admires you)
Muſt in the Ocean of your Affection
To me be ſwallowed up, and want a Name
Compar'd with what you owe me.
Theo. 'Tis moſt fit, Sir,
The ſtronger Bond that binds me to you, muſt
Diſſolve the weaker.
Mal. I am ruin'd if
I come not fairly off.
Beauf. ſen. There's nothing wanting
But your Conſent.
Mal. Some ſtrange Invention aid me. [*Aſide.*
This! yes, it muſt be ſo.
Montr. Why do you ſtagger,
When what you ſeem'd ſo much to wiſh is offer'd?
Beauf. jun. Both Parties being agreed to.
Beauf. ſen. I'll not court
A Grant from you, nor do I wrong your Daughter,
Tho' I ſay my Son deſerves her.
Mal. 'Tis far from
My humble Thoughts to undervalue him
I cannot prize too high. For howſoever
From my own fond Indulgence I have ſung
Her Praiſes with too prodigal a Tongue,
That Tenderneſs laid by, I ſtand confirm'd
All that I fancied excellent in her
Balanc'd, with what is really his own,
Holds Weight in no Proportion.
Montr. New Turnings!
Beauf. ſen. Whither tends this?
Mal. Had you obſerv'd, my Lord,
With what a ſweet Gradation he woo'd,
As I did punctually, you cannot blame her,
Tho' ſhe did liſten with a greedy Ear
To his fair modeſt Offers: But ſo great
A good as then flow'd to her, ſhould have been
With more Deliberation entertain'd,
And not with ſuch Haſte ſwallow'd, ſhe ſhall firſt,
Conſider ſeriouſly what the Bleſſing is,
And in what ample Manner to give Thanks for't,
And then receive it. And tho' I ſhall think
Short Minutes Years till it be perfected,
I will defer that which I moſt deſire,
And ſo muſt ſhe, till longing Expectation,
That heightens Pleaſure, makes her truly know
Her Happineſs, and with what out ſtretch'd Arms
She muſt embrace it.
Beauf. jun. This is Curiouſneſs
Beyond Example.
Mal. Let it then begin
From me. in what's mine own I'll uſe my Will,
And yield no further Reaſon. I lay Claim to
The Liberty of a Subject. Fall not off,
But be obedient, or by the Hair
I'll drag thee home. Cenſure me as you pleaſe,
I'll take my own Way, O the inward Fires
That wanting Vent conſume me!
[*Exit with Theocrine.*
Montr. 'Tis moſt certain
He's mad, or worſe.
Beauf. How, worſe?
Montr. Nay, there I leave you,
My Thoughts are free.
Beauf. jun. This I foreſaw.
Beauf. ſen. Take Comfort,
He ſhall walk in Clouds, but I'll diſcover him:
And he ſhall find, and feel, if he excuſe not,
And with ſtrong Reaſons this groſs Injury,
I can make Uſe of my Authority.

Nothing can be ſtronger or nobler than the Soliloquy which opens the fourth Act: Nothing can excite a ſtronger Attention in the Audience, or give a more lively Idea of the Character 'tis intended to explain.

Malefort ſolus.

What Flames are theſe my wild Deſires fan in me?
The Torch that feeds them, was not lighted at
Thy Altars, *Cupid*: Vindicate thyſelf,
And do not own it: And confirm it rather,
That this infernal Brand that turns me Cindars,
Was by the ſnake-hair'd Siſters thrown into
My guilty Boſom. O that I was ever
Accurs'd in having Iſſue: My Son's Blood,
(That like the poiſon'd Shirt of *Hercules*
Grows to each Part about me) which my Hate
Forc'd from him with much Willingneſs, may admit
Some weak Defence; but my moſt impious Love
To my fair Daughter *Theocrine*, none.
Since my Affection (rather wicked Luſt)
That does purſue her, is a greater Crime
Than any Deteſtation, with which
I ſhould afflict her Innocence. With what Cunning
I have betray'd myſelf, and did not feel
The ſcorching Heat that now with Fury rages.
Why was I tender of her? Cover'd with
That fond Diſguiſe, this Miſchief ſtole upon me.
I thought it no Offence to kiſs her often,
Or twine mine Arms about her ſofter Neck,
And by falſe Shadows of a Father's Kindneſs
I long deceiv'd myſelf: But now the Effect
Is too apparent. How I ſtrove to be
In her Opinion held the worthieſt Man
In Courtſhip, Form, and Feature, envying him
That was preferred before me, and yet then
My Wiſhes to myſelf were not diſcover'd.
But ſtill my Fires encreas'd, and with Delight
I would call her Miſtreſs, wilfully forgetting
The Name of Daughter, chuſing rather ſhe
Should ſtile me Servant, then with Reverence Father,
Yet mocking, I ne'er cheriſh'd obſcene Hopes,
But in my troubled Slumbers often thought
She was too near to me, and then ſleeping bluſh'd
At my Imagination which paſs'd,
My Eyes being open, not condemning it,
I was raviſh'd with the Pleaſure of the Dream,
Yet ſpight of theſe Temptations I have Reaſon
That pleads againſt 'em, and commands me to
Extinguiſh theſe abominable Fires,
And I will do it, I will ſend her back
To him that loves her lawfully. Within there!

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Malefort, Theocrine.

Theo. Sir, did you call?
Mal. I look no ſooner on her,
But all my boaſted Power of Reaſon leaves me,
And Paſſion again uſurps her Empire, does none elſe wait me?
Theo. I am wretched, Sir, ſhould any owe more Duty.
Mal. This is worſe than Diſobedience, leave me.
Theo. On my Knees, Sir, as I have ever ſquar'd my Will by yours. [you
And lik'd, and loath'd with your Eyes: I beſeech
To teach me what the Nature of my Fault is,
That hath incens'd you, (ſure 'tis one of Weakneſs
And not of Malice) which your gentler Temper
On my Submiſſion I hope will pardon,
Which granted by your Piety, if that I
Out of the leaſt Neglect of mine hereafter,
Make you remember it, may I ſink ever
Under your dread Command.
Mal. O my Stars! who can but doat on this Humility
That ſweetens, lovely in her Tears? The Fetters
That ſeem'd to leſſen in their Weight; but now
By this grow heavier on me.
Theo. Dear Sir!
Mal. Peace, I muſt not hear thee.
Theo. Nor look on me.
Mal. No, thy Looks and Words are Charms.
Theo. May they have Power then
To calm the Tempeſt of your Wrath, alas! Sir,
Did I but know in what I give Offence
In my Repentance I would ſhew my Sorrow,
For what is paſt, and in my Care hereafter
Kill the Occaſion, or ceaſe to be
Since Life without your Favour is to me a Load I muſt caſt off.
Mal. O that my Heart were rent in ſunder, that I might expire,
The Cauſe in my Death buried: Yet I know not
With ſuch prevailing Oratory 'tis begg'd from me
That to deny thee would convince me to
Have ſuck'd the Milk of Tygers, riſe, and I
(But in a perplex'd and myſterious Method.)
Will make Relation that which all the World
Admires and cries up in thee for Perfections,
Are to unhappy me foul Blemiſhes,
And Mulcts in Nature. If thou hadſt been born
Deform'd and crooked, in the Features of
Thy Body, as the Manners of thy Mind,
Moor-lipp'd, flat-nos'd, dim-ey'd, and beetle-brow'd,
With a Dwarf 's Stature to a Giant Waſte,
Sower breath'd, with Claws for Fingers on thy Hands,
Splay-footed, gouty-legg'd, and over all
A loathſome Leproſy had ſpread itſelf,
And made thee ſhunn'd of human Fellowſhips:
I had been bleſt.
Theo. Why would you wiſh a Monſter
(For ſuch a one or worſe you have deſcrib'd)
To call your Father.
Mal. Rather than as now,
Tho' I had drowned thee for it in the Sea
Appearing as thou doſt a new *Pandora*,
With *Juno*'s fair Cow Eyes, *Minerva*'s Brow,
Aurora's bluſhing Cheeks, *Hebe*'s freſh Youth,
Venus's ſoft Paps, with *Thetis*'s ſilver Feet.
Theo. Sir, you have lik'd and lov'd them, and oft forc'd
(With your Hyperboles of Praiſe pour'd on them)
My Modeſty to a defenſive Red, [pleas'd
Strow'd o'er that Paleneſs, which you then were
To ſtile the pureſt White.
Mal. And in that Cup I drank the Poiſon I now feel diſpers'd
Thro' every Vein and Artery, wherefore art thou
So cruel to me? This thy outward Shape
Brought a fierce War againſt me, not to be
By Fleſh and Blood reſiſted: But to leave me
No Hope of Freedom from the Magazine
Of thy Mind's Forces, treacherouſly thou dreweſt up
Auxiliary Helps to ſtrengthen that
Which was already in itſelf too potent,
Thy Beauty gave the firſt Charge, but thy Duty
Seconded with thy Care, and watchful Studies
To pleaſe, and ſerve my Will in all that might
Raiſe up Content in me, like Thunder break thro'
All Oppoſition, and my Ranks of Reaſon
Diſbanded, my victorious Paſſions fell
To bloody Execution, and compell'd me
With willing Hands to tie on my own Chains,
And with a Kind of flattering Joy to glory in my Captivity.
Theo. I, in this you ſpeak, Sir, am Ignorance itſelf.
Mal. And ſo continue, for Knowledge of the Arms thou beareſt againſt me
Would make thee curſe thyſelf, but yield no Aids
For thee to help me, and 'twere Cruelty
In me to wound that ſpotleſs Innocency
Howe'er it make me guilty, in a Word
The Pluriſy of Goodneſs is thy Ill,
Thy Virtue Vices, and thy humble Lowneſs
Far worſe than ſtubborn Sullenneſs and Pride,
Thy Looks that raviſh all Beholders elſe
As killing as the Baſiliſks, their Tears
Expreſs'd in Sorrow for thee much I ſuffer,
A glorious Inſultation, and no Sign
Of Pity in thee, and to hear thee ſpeak
In thy Defence, tho' but in ſilent Action,
Would make the Hurt already deeply feſter'd
Incurable, and therefore as thou wouldſt not
By thy Preſence raiſe freſh Furies to torment me
I do conjure thee by a Father's Power,
(And 'tis my Cure I dare not think it lawful
To ſue unto thee in a nearer Name)
Without Reply to leave me.
Theo. My Obedience never learn'd yet to queſtion your Commands,
But willingly to ſerve 'em, yet I muſt
Since that your Will forbids the Knowledge of
My Fault, lament my Fortune.
Mal. O that I have Reaſon to diſcern the better Way!
And yet purſue the worſe, when I look on her
I burn with Heat, and in her Abſence freeze
With the cold Blaſts of Jealouſy, that another
Should e'er taſte thoſe Delights that are denied me,
And which of their Afflictions bring leſs Torture
I hardly can diſtinguiſh, is there then
No Mean? No, ſo my Underſtanding tells me,
And that by my croſs Fates it is determin'd
That I am both Ways wretched.

[*To be continued in our next.*]

SATURDAY, *January* 4.

ORDERS have been iſſued for impreſſing Artificers to ſerve in the ſeveral Yards, for the more expeditiouſly fitting out his Majeſty's Navy againſt the Spring.

Letters from *Valencia* and *Barcelona* mention, that ſeveral Ships were caſt away the 9th and 10th of *December* laſt, N. S. on that Coaſt, particularly Capt. *Tiddiman*, and three more Ships, whoſe Names we cannot as yet tell, were forc'd aſhore upon the Coaſt of *Valencia*: One of Capt. *Tiddiman*'s Men ſwimming aſhore with a Rope, was a Means of preſerving all the reſt of the Crew, excepting the Cook, who was drowned by the Rope breaking. It was reported at *Barcelona*, that a Ship from *Newfoundland* with Fiſh, was ſounder'd about five Leagues from that Port; one Ship was forc'd aſhore there, but the Ships in the Road either cut or ſlipt their Cables, and thro' much Difficulty put to Sea.

Marriage. A few Days ago the Right Hon. the Earl of *Sutherland*, one of the ſixteen Peers of *Scotland*, was married to the Lady *Betty Wemyſs*, Siſter to the Right Hon. the Earl of *Wemyſs*.

Deaths. On Monday laſt died Capt. *William Mac Henry*, Commander of a Company in the *Scotch* Fuſileers. ——Yeſterday died, at his Houſe at *Little Chelſea*, *Thomas Salmon*, Eſq; in the Commiſſion of the Peace for the County of *Middleſex*.

MONDAY, *January* 6.

On Friday Evening, the Wife of one *Cole*, a Carpenter, in *Axiter-Yard* at *Greenwich*, coming home intoxicated with Spirits, leaned down on the Bed, and ſoon became ſo ſenſeleſs, that having ſet the Candle on the Ground, near a Deal Table, it ſet Fire to it, and reaching her Cloaths, burnt her Thighs and Arm on which ſhe leaned to a Coal. Notwithſtanding which, ſhe was ſo far deſtitute of Senſe and Feeling, that ſhe could not be awaken'd, or at leaſt, brought to her Senſes, till the Morning; when ſhe complained of being ſore. The unhappy Creature lived till Five o'Clock on Saturday Evening, and then died miſerably.

This Accident, in all Likelihood, would have been attended with ſome diſmal Effects, the Houſe being among old Timber Buildings, had not a Man, paſſing that Way perceiving an extraordinary Light, knocked at the Door, and, on its not being opened, forced his Way in, and prevented the further Conſequences.

What is more remarkable and ſhocking to a conſiderate Mind, is, that on the Outcry of Fire near 40 Women got together immediately, moſt of whom were obſerved to be in ſuch a Condition as to want ſo diſmal an Object to deter them from the over free Uſe of theſe pernicious Liquors, which are now become ſo common, and have ſuch terrible Effects upon, the ordinary Sort of People; and have reached even to that Sex whoſe greateſt Glory and Ornament is Sobriety, the natural Guard of all their other Virtues.

On Thurſday Night laſt a Porter who uſually ply'd in St. *James*'s-*Market*, got very drunk, and laid himſelf down to ſleep at a Door in *Dean-ſtreet*, *Soho*, with his Baſket and Knot by him, and when the Watchmen found him they put him and his Knot into the Baſket, and carried him to a Place call'd the *Dark-Hole* in St. *Giles*'s Watch-houſe, where he continued till Ten the next Morning, and then expir'd: The Coroner's Jury ſate on his Body laſt Saturday, but were divided in their Opinions, ſo adjourn'd till this Day, when they met again, and brought in their Verdict, that he was ſuffocated with Liquor.

A Letter having been thrown into the Court-Yard of Mrs. *Miller* on *Mays-Hill* near *Greenwich*, on Tueſday the 24th of *December* laſt, about Ten o'Clock in the Evening, and ſubſcrib'd *P. S. T. F. L. R. J. N. G. L. B. D. M. E. C. S. J. R.* threatening, that in Caſe ſhe did not that very Night lay ten Guineas under a Brick, the third Poſt downwards from her Door, ſhe might be ſure to have her Houſe ſurrounded and plundered, and afterwards burnt to the Ground, and her young Son (Heir to a very large Eſtate) taken away and diſpos'd of in the *Weſt-Indies*, that ſhe might never ſee him more; his Majeſty has been pleas'd to promiſe his moſt gracious Pardon to any Perſon concern'd in writing the ſaid Letter, provided he ſhall diſcover his Accomplice or Accomplices, ſo as they may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice: And Mrs. *Miller* has offer'd a Reward of 50 l. to the Perſon making ſuch Diſcovery, to be paid upon the Conviction of the Offender.

His Majeſty has likewiſe been pleaſed to promiſe his moſt gracious Pardon to any of the Perſons concern'd in binding, robbing, and plundering Mr. *Ambroſe Skinner*, a Farmer, at *Long Bridge*, near *Barking* in *Eſſex*; as alſo to any one of the Perſons concern'd in abuſing and plundering Mr. *William Maſon*, Keeper for the Right Hon. the Earl *Tilney*, of *Haynalt-Lodge* in *Waltham-Foreſt*, in the Pariſh of *Dagenham* in *Eſſex*, (as formerly mention'd in this Paper) provided he ſhall diſcover his Accomplice or Accomplices in the ſaid Facts, ſo as he or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof: And as a further Encouragement his Majeſty has been pleaſed to offer a Reward of 50 l. for every one of the Criminals that ſhall be diſcover'd and apprehended, as aforeſaid, to be paid upon the Conviction of the Offender or Offenders.

Marriage. Laſt Week —— *Thornhill*, of *Stanton* in the County of *Derby*, Eſq; was married to Miſs *Cook*, of *Little Maddox ſtreet*, a near Relation to the Lord *Lovel*.

Deaths. *John Cope Freeman*, Eſq; and his Lady, died in a few Days of each other at *Jamaica*; they embark'd together for that Iſland laſt Spring, to take Poſſeſſion of ſeveral large Plantations.——On Saturday laſt died the Lady *Elizabeth Montagu*, Relict of Sir *James Montagu*, who was both Sollicitor and Attorney-General to Queen *Anne*.

Bankrupts. *William Wood*, late of *Milk ſtreet*, *London*, Hair-Merchant.——*Noel George Van Reder*, of *Mark-Lane*, *London*, Merchant.

TUESDAY, *January* 7.

Her Grace the Dutcheſs of *Bedford* miſcarried laſt Thurſday, and lies very ill.

The Prince of *Wales* won 800 l. laſt Night at the Hazard-Play at Court.

The Right Hon. *Newport*, Earl of *Bradford*, has left his natural Son, now at *Kenſington* School, an Eſtate of upwards of 8000 l. *per Annum*.

We hear the Deſign of a Bridge from *Weſtminſter* to *Lambeth* is laid aſide at preſent; and a Petition for a Bridge will not be preſented till another Seſſion of Parliament.

We hear alſo, that the Petition for Repealing the Teſt-Act, will not be preſented this next Seſſion of Parliament, but put off till a more convenient Opportunity.

The *Britannia*, Capt. *Keeple*, bound from *Seville* to *London*, was lately loſt on the Coaſt of *France*; the Captain and one Boy ſav'd.

Yeſterpay Se'nnight the *Boſton*, Capt. *William Roby*, from *Boſton*, met with a Wreck about twelve Leagues to the S. S. W. of *Lundy*, which prov'd to be a *Dutch* built Galliot, laden with Wine from *Bourdeaux*, bound to *Rotterdam*, but belongs to *Copenhagen*, and call'd the *Ufro Magdalena*, *Oldrick Saunders*, Maſter. She was full of Water, and had over-ſet, but righted again, having loſt all her Top-Maſts, Bowſprit, and almoſt all the Sails. The Maſter and all the Men were drowned, except the Chief Mate, Carpenter, and two Men more, that were taken off the Shrowds by Capt. *Roby*, who left the Wreck, without being able to ſave any of the Cargo.

Extract of a Letter from Norwich, *dated* Jan. 4.

On Tuesday last the Waters from the Country came pouring down upon us in such a Manner, as occasion'd the greatest Flood that has happen'd here since the Year 1697; all *Heigham* was laid under Water, as were also several other Streets in this City, so that they rowed about them in Boats. And we hear that the Waters were out too in several Places of *Norfolk* and *Suffolk* to that Height, as render'd the Roads there unpassable for some Time.

Yesterday, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon, began *Boyle*'s Lectures for the Year 1735, at *Bow* Church. The Rev. Mr. *Derham*, in his Dedication of *Boyle*'s Lectures to his Grace Dr. *Tenison*, late Lord Archbishop of *Canterbury*, has the following Note, which fully describes the Design of the said Lectures, *viz.*

'It may not only gratify the Reader's Curiosity, but 'also be of Use for preventing Incroachments in Time to 'come, to give the following Account of Mr. *Boyle*'s 'Lectures. Mr. *Boyle*, by a Codicil dated *July* 28, 1691, 'and annex'd to his Will, charged his Messuage, or 'Dwelling-House, in St. *Michael*'s, *Crooked-Lane*, *London*, with the Payment of the clear yearly Rents and 'Profits thereof, to some learned Divine in *London*, or 'within the Bills of Mortality, to be elected for a Term 'not exceeding three Years, by his Grace the present 'Lord Archbishop of *Canterbury* (then Dr. *Tenison*) Sir 'Henry Ashurst, Sir *John Rotheram*, and *John Evelyn*, 'Esq; The Business he appointed those Lectures for, 'was, among others, *To be ready to satisfy real Scruples, 'and to answer such new Objections and Difficulties as 'might be started, to which good Answers had not been 'made.* And also to preach eight Sermons in the Year, 'viz. the first Monday of *January*, *February*, *March*, *April* and *May*; and of *September*, *October* and *November*: The Subject of these Sermons was to be, *The Proof of the Christian Religion against notorious Infidels*, viz. Atheists, Theists, Pagans, Jews *and* Mahometans, *not descending lower to any Controversies that are among* Christians *themselves*. But by Reason the Lectures were seldom continued above a Year, and that the House sometimes stood empty, and Tenants broke, or failed in due Payment of their Rent, therefore the Salary sometimes remain'd long unpaid, or could not be gotten without some Difficulty: To remedy which Inconvenience his present Grace of *Canterbury* procur'd a yearly Stipend of 50 l. to be paid quarterly for ever, charg'd upon a Farm in the Parish of *Brill* in the County of *Bucks*, which Stipend is accordingly every Quarter duly paid (when demanded) without Fee or Reward.' *Dr. Thomas Tenison.*

On Sunday last was presented to the King and Queen, a Petition from the Prisoners of the *Fleet*, in Behalf of themselves and all Insolvent Debtors within his Majesty's Dominions, as well as of those who have fled beyond Sea for fear of Imprisonment, and starving in a Gaol for Debt.

The Beginning of last Week the Rider for Mr. *Sayer*, an eminent Soap-maker in *Whitechapel*, endeavouring to pass *Roadly-Bridge*, between *Leicester* and *Loughborough*, which was overflow'd, his Horse miss'd the Way, and fell into the Water, where the Rider was unhappily drowned, and has not yet been found; but the Horse got out, and went with the Bags to *Mountsorrel*.

On Friday last Mr. *Braithwait*, an eminent Cheesemonger in *Westminster*, (who was a few Days before defrauded of Notes to about 300 l. by a Sharper, who came to his Shop under a Pretence of buying Goods) receiv'd in a Penny-Post Letter from an unknown Hand, Bank Notes, being Part of what he had lost, to the Amount of 250 l.

Deaths. On Friday last died the Lady of Sir *Brocas Gardiner*, Bart. one of the Commissioners of his Majesty's Stamp-Duties.——A few Days since died in *Red-Lion-street*, *Holborn*, aged 27, Mrs. *King*, a 15,000 l. Fortune, only surviving Child of the late *Daniel King*, Esq. Nephew to Sir *William Pritchard*, Knt. Lord Mayor of *London* in 1683.

WEDNESDAY, *January* 8.

The *Thames* has overflow'd its Banks near *Windsor*, that all the adjacent Meadows are under Water, and People are forced to make Use of Boats to go to *Eaton*.

We hear from *Blandford* in *Dorsetshire*, that on Sunday the 29th of last Month, there happened such a violent Storm of Wind, Hail, Thunder and Lightning, that blow'd down several Houses and Trees, and caus'd an Inundation over all the Meadows; fill'd all the Cellars and Warehouses of the lower Part of the new Town, which were well stor'd with all Sorts of merchantable Goods, and so much damag'd the same, that the People are almost as inconsolable, as when the dreadful Fire happened in 1731.

The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty being inform'd, that, notwithstanding his Majesty's Pleasure signify'd to his Consuls residing in Foreign Parts, several Masters of Ships and Vessels belonging to his Majesty's Subjects which have come into the Ports where the said Consuls reside, have, upon their Demand, refus'd to produce to them the Passes which they have received, in order to their endorsing the same in the Manner they are requir'd to do: Their Lordships have given Notice, that it is expected all such Masters of Ships or Vessels coming into any Port where there is a Consul, do, at their Peril, strictly comply with his Majesty's Pleasure, by producing to them the Passes in their Possession; and that when any Ship or Vessel belonging to his Majesty's Subjects shall be sold at any Port abroad, where a *British* Minister or Consul doth reside, their Masters do deliver to such Minister or Consul their Pass; or if there be no Minister or Consul, they are to transmit them as soon as possible they can to the Admiralty-Office, in order to their being cancell'd, so that they may not, to the Prejudice of the Trade of his Majesty's Subjects, fall into the Hands of Foreigners, otherwise their Bonds will be put in Suit with the utmost Severity of the Law.

Last Tuesday the President, Treasurer, and several of the Governors of *Christ's-Hospital*, waited on the Lords of the Admiralty with the Children of the Royal Foundation, under the Care of Mr. *Edward Lens*, Drawing-Master: When their Lordships were pleased to view several Drawings done by the Children, and were extremely well pleased with their Performances.

Marriages. Yesterday *Thomas Gibson*, Esq; eldest Son of the Lord Bishop of *London*, was married to Miss *Haynes*, Daughter of *John Haynes* of *Chelsea*, Esq; and Register of the Diocese of *Canterbury*: The Ceremony was performed by the Lord Bishop of *London*.——The same Day Mr. *De Sallis*, (a Native of *Switzerland*) a Gentleman of a plentiful Fortune, was married to Miss *Fane*, eldest Daughter to the Right Hon. *Charles* Lord Viscount *Fane* in the Kingdom of *Ireland*.

Bankrupt. Davis Morris, of the Parish of St. *George*, *Hanover-Square*, Pawnbroker and Chapman.

THURSDAY, *January* 9.

Yesterday Morning the Wind being at W. and W.S.W. it blew hard; and in the Afternoon we had one of the strongest Storms that has been known for many Years, in which several Lighters and Boats in the River were sunk, and others dash'd to Pieces; but all the Ships in the River rode out with Safety. On Shore great Damage was done to the Houses, by ripping off the Tiles, blowing down Stacks of Chimneys, *&c.* and many People were kill'd and wounded; the Particulars we have at present receiv'd are as follow:

Five Houses were blown down in St. *Giles*'s Parish, and another in *Hartshorn-Lane* in the *Strand*, by which two Persons lost their Lives.

Mr. *Lancaster*, a Carpenter, in *Two Swan-Yard* near *Bishopsgate*, was blown from the Top of a Twelve-Foot Ladder in the said Yard, by which he fractur'd his Skull and died on the Spot.

A Footman going along near *Gray's-Inn*, a Stack of Chimneys fell upon him, and kill'd him on the Spot; a Surgeon was sent for to bleed him, who finding him dead, did not perform the Operation; one of his Eyes was beat out of his Head.

The Kitchen of the Right Hon. the Lord *Bathurst* (which lay backwards) was blown down, and the Cook so dangerously bruis'd that 'tis thought he cannot recover.

A House in the *Broadway*, *Westminster*, was blown down, and a Man and a Boy kill'd.

A House in *Russel-street*, *Covent-Garden*, was blown down. And also

A House in St. *James's Place*.

The Laundry of the Right Hon. the Earl of *Wilmington* (which lay backward) was likewise blown down; but at the three last Places no Body received any Damage.

Mr. *Hartoff*'s House in *Cleveland-Court*, St. *James*'s, receiv'd so much Damage, that the Family were forc'd to move to his Brother's (Baron *Hartoff*) till the House can be repair'd.

Part of the Roof of the Guard Room at *Whitehall* fell in, whereby six Soldiers were very much bruis'd.

A Barn was blown down at the End of *Gray's-Inn-Lane*.

A Man was kill'd in St. *Paul's Church Yard* by some Bricks falling on him.

About 41 Trees were torn up by the Roots in St. *James's-Park*.

Yesterday about Three o'Clock in the Morning a terrible Fire broke out at Capt. *Collins*'s, who kept the Punch-House near *Iron-Gate*, St. *Catherine*'s, which burnt so fierce, that the Persons in the House with Difficulty, and naked, made their Escape off the Leads, by the Rigging of a Vessel which lay close to the Back of the House. By the Narrowness of the Street, and Lowness of the Tide, the Fire got such a Head, that there were about thirty Houses destroy'd, and several much damaged; among the former are, the *Duke of Marlborough's Head*, the *Rotterdam*, the *Queen's Head*, the *Black Boy and Trumpet*, and another publick House, three Distillers, two Grocers, a Pewterer's, a Peruke-maker's, a Shoe maker's, a Milliner's, a Painter's, a Stationer's, a Bisket-Baker's, a Slop seller's, and Part of *Feal's-Wharf*.

We learn from *Nottingham*, that as *Gabriel Griffith*, of that County, Esq; endeavour'd to pass a Bridge which was overflow'd by the Waters, the Horses drew his Coach into the River, and with much Difficulty he was saved: The Coachman and one of the Horses were drowned.

A new Windmill near *Hackney-Marsh*, which cost the Owner about 400 l. building, and which had been at work about three or four Days, took Fire last Week, and was entirely consum'd.

We learn from *Stockholm* of a most extraordinary Piece of Modesty and Moderation in the Prime Minister of that Kingdom: The States, upon the Recommendation of his *Swedish* Majesty, had voted Count *Horn* a Sum of 15,000 Crowns, as a Reward for his Merit and extraordinary Expences in the Administration; but that Gentleman could not be prevail'd with to accept any Premium for his Pains, declaring those were fully paid by the Satisfaction of having serv'd faithfully his Country, and so took only the neat Reimbursement of his Expence.

Preferment. Edward Guest, Esq; is chosen Coroner for the County of *Gloucester*, in the room of *Thomas Machin*, Esq; deceas'd.

FRIDAY, *January* 10.

On Wednesday last as a Servant of Messieurs *Frame* and *Berkley*, was going along the North Side of St. *Paul's*, he was thrown down by the Violence of the Wind, at which Time his Letter-Case fell from his Side, and the Wind blew his Notes about; all which he found again, except one of 300 l. one of 139 l. 16 s. one of 40 l. and one of 25 l. for which Notes a Reward is offer'd.

The Loft of *John Neal*, Esq; a Scarlet-Dyer near *Parish-Garden-Stairs*, was blown down, and eleven Women who were working therein were all miserably maimed by the Fall.

The curious fine Mount erected in *Kensington-Gardens* was blown down.

A Hackney-Coachman was unfortunately killed on his Coach-Box, by a Stack of Chimnies falling on him, as he was driving into a Coach-Yard in *Silver-street*, *Soho*.

A Boat with three Passengers, going from *Greenwich* to *Blackwall*, was cast away, and all the People drowned.

A Woman was killed by the Fall of a Tree that was blown up by the Roots in *Moorfields*.

At *Barnet*, and the Villages adjacent, they perceiv'd three loud Claps of Thunder, accompanied by Lightning; several Barns were blown down in that Neighbourhood; and in several of the Roads near *London*, the Trees lie in the Highway in such a Manner, that it is difficult to pass.

Mousley in Surrey, *Jan.* 9. The great Hurricane we had Yesterday, has done great Damage hereabout: Barns are blown down in many Places. The whole Row of Pails on *Bushy-Park*, between *Hampton-Court* and *Hampton-Town*, are blown down flat; and a great many of the Trees in *Bushy Park* torn up by the Roots. We are forc'd to live above Stairs; and when the Land Waters come down from the Hills in the West Country, God knows the Consequence.

Yesterday began the General Quarter-Sessions for the City and Liberty of *Westminster*, when Sir *John Gonson*, Knt. Chairman of the Sessions, gave a learned and excellent Charge to the Grand Jury.

Preferments. Yesterday his Grace the Duke of *Richmond* kiss'd the King's Hand for the Place of Master of the Horse to his Majesty, in the room of the Earl of *Scarborough*, who resign'd some Time ago.——As did likewise the Earl of *Pembroke*, for the Place of Groom of the Stole to his Majesty, in thee room of the Earl of *Godolphin*, who has resign'd.

Marriage. On Tuesday Mr. *Salway*, a Comedian at the Theatre-Royal in *Drury Lane*, was married to the Niece of the late Mr. *Westall*, a considerable Tallow Chandler near *Smithfield*, a Fortune of 5000 l.

Death. On Tuesday died at *Lambeth*, *John Goodson*, Esq; formerly in the Commission of the Peace for the County of *Surrey*.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Thorn, *Dec.* 28. N. S.

THE Division of King *Stanislaus*'s Troops, commanded by the Castellan of *Czersk*, attacked a Body of 600 *Cossacks* of the *Russian* Army near this City some Days ago, kill'd several, and put the rest to Flight. The Primate is given over by his Physicians. He has made his Will, and thereby divided his Estate among his Relations. His fine Library he has bequeathed to the *Augustin* Fryars of his Archiepiscopal City of *Gnesna*.

Paris, Jan. 11. His Majesty having some Time ago issued an Ordinance, enjoining the Officers to repair to their several Posts on the *Rhine* and *Moselle* by the 1st of *March* next, he has been pleas'd to countermand that Order, and to extend their Furlow to the 1st of *April*; which seems to favour the present pacifick Endeavours of the Maritime Powers, or at least to shew, that the Army will not take the Field so early as has been reported.

Petersburg, Dec. 19. Her Majesty continues to hold frequent Councils on the present Situation of Affairs; and the new Ambassador from *Persia*, who lately arrived here, made his publick Entry two Days ago, and has had his first publick Audience of the Empress, with the usual Ceremonies. We have a profound Tranquility on the Frontiers of *Turky* and *Persia*.

Warsaw, Dec. 25. Count *Poniatowski* had a long Audience of the King the 19th, who gave him a most gracious Reception, as well as to the two Brothers, the Counts *Bielinski*, who were each separately admitted to an Audience the same Day. The eldest of the two Counts, who is Marshal of the Crown Court, came out of the Chamber of Audience with his Marshal's Staff in his Hand, and perform'd the Functions of that Post a little Time afterwards, in walking with Prince *Sanguszko*, Grand Marshal of *Lithuania*, before the King when his Majesty went to Church: He has since publish'd, by Sound of Trumpet, that he began to exercise his ordinary Jurisdiction. The 21st the Counts *Poniatowski* and *Bielinski* were invited to assist at the Conferences which are held between the *Polish* Lords, and the Emperor's, Czarina's, and King's Ministers.

Vienna, Jan. 1. Upon Advice that a Body of *Spanish* Troops were marching to reinforce the Army of the Allies in *Italy*, the Court has resolv'd to send thither a new Reinforcement of 20,000 Men, Part of which are to be negotiated with some Princes of the Empire. It is said that his *Imperial* Majesty designs to send a Decree very soon to the Dyet of *Ratisbon*, declaring his Reasons for taking a Body of *Russian* Troops into his Pay. Prince *Lobcowitz*, Governor of the Castle of *Messina*, has sent to acquaint the Emperor, that he had abandon'd the Outworks of that Citadel, that he might be in a better Condition to defend it till next Spring, in Hopes of being then reliev'd. The Courier who had been dispatch'd to *Lisbon* with Letters from his *Imperial* Majesty and the General Count *Konigsegg* to the King of *Portugal*, is just return'd; and it is said that he has brought Advice, that his *Portugueze* Majesty had order'd an Account to be laid before him of the State of his Treasury, that he might see how much he could lend the Emperor: We are further told, that his Loan has been fixt at ten Millions, and that Bills of Exchange have been already sent to *Genoa* for 3,000,000 of Crusados. It is also added, that the Treaty of particular Alliance which the Barons *de Wasner* and *de Albert*, his *Imperial* Majesty's Ministers at *Lisbon*, are negotiating there, is far advanc'd, and even that several essential Articles are already agreed upon.

Dantzick, Jan. 1. Several *Polish* Lords here seem resolv'd to go neither to *Warsaw* nor *Koningsberg*, but to wait until the publick Tranquillity shall be re-establish'd in *Poland*. According to Letters from *Koningsberg*, King *Stanislaus* has dispatch'd the necessary Instructions to the Lords who are to go in Quality of Ministers from the Republick to several Foreign Powers, conformable to the Result of the Confederation made in his Favour at *Niska*. Several of those Ministers are already set out, as well as those who had Orders to go to *France*, for obtaining from his most *Christian* Majesty new Marks of his Protection. The Arrival of the Counts *Poniatowski* and *Bielinski* at *Warsaw* has contributed very much to the Increase of King *Augustus*'s Court, and to the Submissions of the most distant Palatinates.

Amsterdam, Jan. 14. N. S. They write from *Corsica*, that the Malecontents have rejected all the Offers made them on the Part of the Republick, and begin to commit great Disorders. The Detachment which was sent from the Garrison of *Philipsburg* to seize the Port of *Ketsch*, intended to have secur'd that likewise of *Schwetzingen*; but the *Imperialists* having taken the Alarm, prevented their further Designs. The Nobility of *Naples* are making great Preparations to entertain *Don Carlos* as he passes to *Reggio*, to embark there for *Sicily*; and the Duke *de Montemar* has pick'd the most able Fellows from all the Regiments, in order to incorporate them in a Body to go with his Royal Highness, that the Conquest of *Sicily* may be sure to attend on the Presence of that Prince. The *German* Garrisons left in several Places of *Tuscany* have frequent Skirmishes with the *Spanish* Troops, and several are kill'd on either Side as Fortune gives the Advantage.

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